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In the Matter of:)
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IMPORTATION REQUIREMENTS) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
FOR ANIMALS FROM THE STATE)
OF MONTANA)
_____)

Brucellosis is a contagious bacterial disease affecting cattle and bison. Brucellosis may also be transmitted to people through contact with infected animals. Recently the state of Montana has diagnosed brucellosis in two separate cattle herds. It is expected that the state of Montana will lose its Brucellosis Free Status and be downgraded to Brucellosis Class A status within the next 4 to 8 weeks.

Idaho Code § 25-210(b) authorizes the Administrator of the Division of Animal Industries within the Idaho State Department of Agriculture to "[p]rohibit or restrict entry of animals into the state that may be exposed to, infected with or may otherwise harbor or be contaminated with any contagious, infectious or communicable disease or agent." Therefore, by authority of Title 25, Chapter 2, and Title 67, Chapter 52, Idaho Code and IDAPA 02.04.21.111, this Order is issued the 10th day of June, 2008, and is effective immediately. This Order is issued in an effort to prevent the introduction and dissemination of *Brucella abortus* among the cattle and bison of Idaho. The following additional import restrictions are placed on cattle or bison originating in, imported from or commingled with cattle or bison within or from the state of Montana:

1. All test eligible intact female cattle or bison, as defined by Title 9, Part 78 CFR and IDAPA 02.04.21.212, which are either officially calf hood vaccinated or officially adult vaccinated, shall have been tested negative for brucellosis within 30 days prior to entry into Idaho.
2. No female cattle or bison which are not either officially calf hood vaccinated or officially adult vaccinated shall enter into Idaho. Intact female cattle or bison less than 120 days of age are exempt from brucellosis testing and vaccination requirements, providing they accompany their dam that has met the import requirements of the state of Idaho.
3. All intact male cattle or bison greater than 18 months of age shall have been tested negative for brucellosis within 30 days prior to entry into Idaho.

4. All cattle or bison herds owned by a person, as defined in IDAPA 02.04.21.010.27, which originate in the state of Montana and, in the course of normal ranching operations move interstate to the state of Idaho and which shall return to Montana as an intact herd, without change of ownership, shall have been whole-herd tested negative for brucellosis within 30 days prior to entry into Idaho. No cattle from such herds shall change ownership while within the state of Idaho.
5. All cattle or bison herds owned by a person, as defined by IDAPA 02.04.21.010.27, which originate in the state of Idaho and, in the course of normal ranching operations move interstate to the state of Montana and which shall return to Idaho as an intact herd, without change of ownership, shall be placed under Hold-Order upon re-entry to Idaho and shall complete a whole-herd test for brucellosis within 30 days post entry into Idaho.

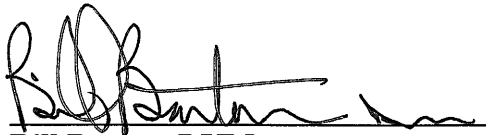
Exceptions to this Order for cattle or bison originating in, imported from, or commingled with cattle or bison within or from the state of Montana include the following:

1. All test eligible cattle or bison going directly to slaughter. Cattle or bison shall be individually identified with Montana origin official calfhood vaccination or silver USDA tags.
2. All test eligible cattle or bison going directly to an Idaho approved feedlot to be fed for slaughter only and accompanied by an Idaho import permit. Cattle or bison shall be individually identified with Montana origin official calfhood vaccination or silver USDA tags.

All other exceptions shall be by written approval of the Administrator of the Division of Animal Industries upon epidemiological evaluation and risk determination.

This Administrative Order is a final agency action and may be reviewed according to the procedures in Idaho Code section 67-5270(2). A petition for judicial review of a final order must be filed within twenty-eight (28) days of the issuance of the final order, or, if reconsideration is sought, within twenty-eight (28) days after the decision thereon. Idaho Code § 67-5273(2)

DATED this 11th day of June, 2008, at Boise, Idaho


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